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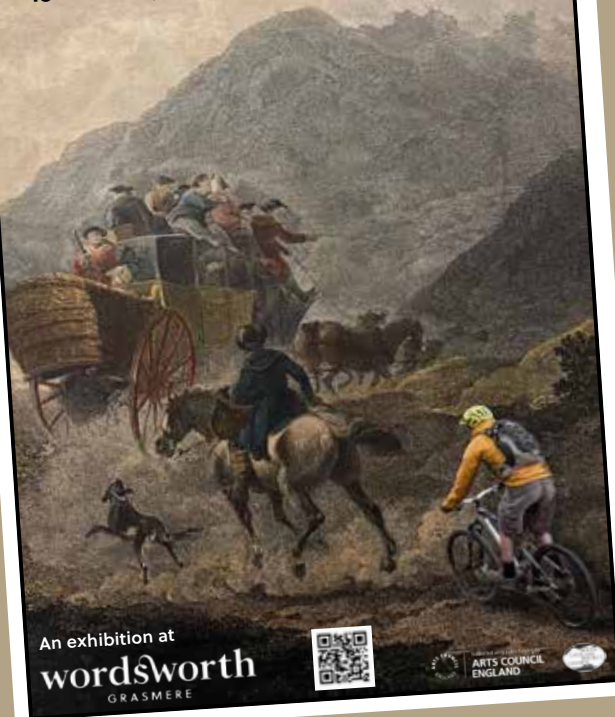
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Wordsworth Grasmere tells the story of this remarkable time in his life. Discover Wordsworth's radical and creative life in the Museum, enjoy views of Grasmere from the Viewing Station or visit the Café serving locally sourced food and drink.

Wordsworth Grasmere are opening a new exhibition 'To the Lakes!' on 18 February, which invites today's visitors to the area to experience the Lake District through the words and images captured by tourists 200 years ago – the things they did, the places they would stay, the equipment they needed and the clothes they wore.

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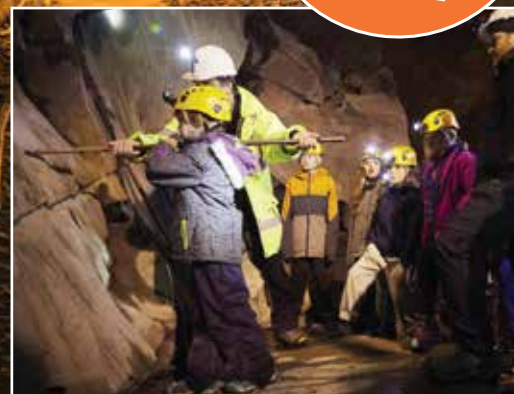
The tour is interactive and engaging for the whole family, allowing visitors to see the tools used to extract the slate and interesting artefacts left in the disused areas of the mine. The mine also allows visitors to spectate over the processing plant, where workers can be seen transforming the raw slate into the beautiful and durable products used in construction, building signs, gravestones, homewares, gifts and furniture.

Whether you're a history buff, geology enthusiast, or just looking for a fun and educational day out with the family, Honister Slate Mine's guided tours are a great option. The tours are suitable for all ages and offer a unique opportunity to learn about the heritage of the area and the importance of slate mining in the local economy.

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Happy families at the aquarium

Spring is in the air and the Aquarists at the Lake District Coast Aquarium are surely being kept on their toes. From surprise births to tank relocations, they are always busy making sure the animals in their care are happy and healthy. The Seahorses surprised them one morning with 100+ new arrivals and they have been eagerly awaiting the eggs of one of their Snake Pipefish to hatch!

The young Cuttlefish are enjoying their new home in a larger tank while also watching visitors who stop to watch them and they are in the last stages of welcoming their first reptiles!

There is always a lot to explore at the Lake District Coast Aquarium and you're sure to find something new since your last visit!

For more information visit www.maryportaquarium.co.uk



THE WORLD OF JAMES
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All memories great and small

James Alfred Wight, who wrote under the pseudonym of James Herriot, became one of the most popular writers of the twentieth century.

He was born in 1916, in Sunderland and at the age of 23, he qualified as a veterinary surgeon at Glasgow Veterinary College. In 1940, he took a brief job at a veterinary practice in Sunderland, but moved in July to work in a rural practice in the town of Thirsk, Yorkshire, close to the Yorkshire Dales and North York Moors, where he was to remain for the rest of his life.

In 1966 (at the age of 50), he began writing, and after several rejected stories on other subjects like football, he turned to what he knew best. His books, a series of stories based on his experiences as a young veterinary surgeon working

among the farming community of North Yorkshire, sold in their millions throughout the world. Their great success spawned two feature films followed by a television series, *All Creatures Great and Small*, which enjoyed global success in the late 1970s and early 80s.

Alfred Wight died in 1995 but his books still sell, the television series is still played throughout the world, and thousands of visitors continue to flock to The World of James Herriot Museum, which was established in 1999 in his hometown of Thirsk, North Yorkshire.

For more information about the museum visit www.worldofjamesherriot.com



more than a train ride!



The Wensleydale Railway operates heritage diesel train services between Scruton and Leyburn and offers a great day out for all the family. Enjoy spectacular scenery, visit restored historic stations and learn more about 1900s railway life whilst enjoying free guided tours with our costumed living history interpreters.

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When that traffic finished, the MOD decided to use the line for the occasional transport of military vehicles, something which continues to this day, and this kept the line alive long enough for the Wensleydale Railway Association (formed in 1990) to build support and eventually form a company to take a 100 year lease on the 22 miles of line from Northallerton to Redmire.

The Railway is run largely by volunteers, supported by a small paid staff, and anyone can help by becoming a member of the Wensleydale Railway Association Trust.

For more information visit www.wensleydalerail.com



Visit the temple of the underworld



The Forbidden Corner was originally built as a private folly but due to public demand was subsequently opened in 1994.

It won the Welcome to Yorkshires White Rose award for best large visitor attraction, in November 2015 and was finalist in 2016, 2017 and 2018. It was also once voted 'The best European folly of the 20th century' by The Folly Fellowship.

A unique labyrinth of tunnels, chambers, follies and surprises created in a four-acre garden in the heart of the Yorkshire Dales.

The temple of the underworld, the eye of the needle, a huge pyramid made of translucent glass, paths and passages that lead nowhere, extraordinary statues at every turn. There are decisions to make and tricks to avoid, a day out with a difference which will challenge and delight children of all ages.

Lost for centuries, the owners have also unearthed The Armstrong Mausoleum. Dare you wander down this secret crypt where there are some scary surprises in store.

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Theakston have employed coopers since the founding of the company in 1827 and today, Theakston Old Peculier in hand crafted oak casks is regularly ordered by licensees and made available to them across the north of the country. Theakston are very proud of their coopering tradition and to be able to continue the history of coopering, being one of the last remaining breweries in the UK to still have an in-house cooperage.

For many hundreds of years before metal casks were invented, wooden casks were the only means by which not just liquids but also foodstuffs were transported, not least within the brewing industry. But such has been the success of the introduction of the metal version that very few brewers today still retain a cooper. The reason for this is that to make an oak cask of precise content from non-standard widths of oak is a true craft which cannot be replicated by machine. The manufacture of metal casks contrastingly is an automated process.

The latest Cooper, Euan Findlay, came to the brewery as an apprentice craft cooper. After his careful and thorough apprenticeship which lasted four years, he became a fully qualified cooper.

This was marked by the 'Trussing In' Ceremony a very ancient, time honoured ritual that has largely unchanged for hundreds of years and traces its roots back to the 14th century. Euan was 'Trussed In' by fellow Coopers who gathered from across the country, before completing his initiation into the Federation of Coopers.

The ceremony saw Euan inserted into a 54-gallon cask, also known as a Hogshead, and rolled around the brewery yard, before being unceremoniously sacked as an apprentice and immediately re-employed as a 'Journeyman Cooper'; an experience that coopers are grateful to suffer only once in their lifetime!





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The grim atmosphere of the Workhouse Museum & Garden has been carefully maintained in order to give visitors a sense of what life in a Victorian Workhouse would have been like. Explore the Workhouse buildings and traditional kitchen garden.

Discover what happened in a courtroom in the 1800s at the Courthouse Museum and learn about the Liberty of Ripon. Experience standing in the dock and waiting for your sentence.

Have you ever wondered what punishments were like in Victorian times? Enter the grim Prison & Police Museum with whitewashed cells and barred windows. On the ground floor is a history of policing in Yorkshire from the Anglo-Saxons to the formation of professional policing. Upstairs, crime and punishment is the theme - with many hands on activities to help imagine the horror of the Victorian prison regime.

Tickets are valid for 12 months with unlimited return visits.



Meet Cumbria's favourite 'son'

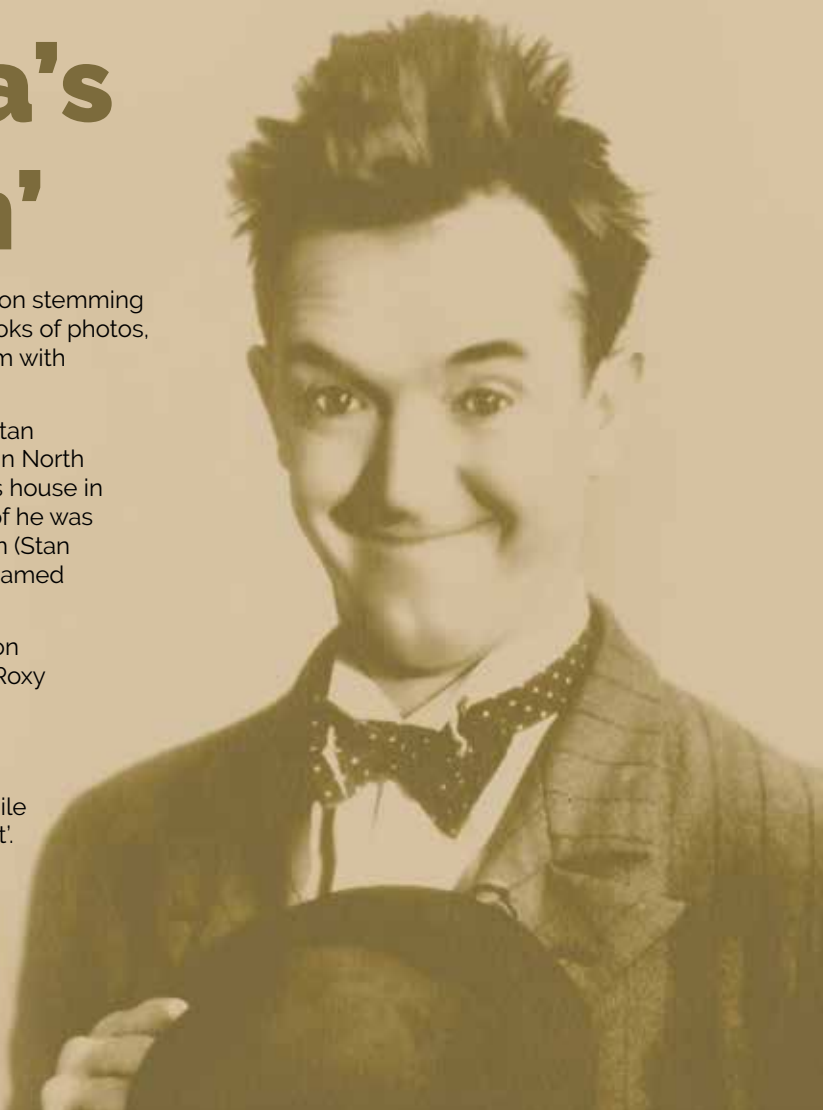
The Laurel and Hardy Museum started life as one man's collection stemming from his lifelong love of 'the boys'. Starting out as a few scrapbooks of photos, Bill Cubin's collection grew over time until it filled one small room with pictures covering all the walls and even the ceiling.

As the collection grew, Bill researched more about the lives of Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy and found that Stan had not been born in North Shields, as was widely thought at the time, but his grandparent's house in Ulverston. In 1976, as mayor of the town, Bill uncovered the proof he was looking for, a birth certificate stating that Arthur Stanley Jefferson (Stan changed his name in 1931) was born in Foundry Cottages, now named Argyll Street.

The collection kept growing so it was decided that a new location for the museum should be sought. After much deliberation the Roxy cinema complex was decided on as the new site.

Opened on the 19th of April 2009 to coincide with the unveiling of the statue in the town centre, there's still plenty to read; now presented in a much more accessible way for the casual fan, while still retaining plenty of depth for your favourite 'Son of the Desert'. The cinema is still there, now with 15 seats but no chance of banging your head on the ceiling! The museum is still a work in progress and they hope to be adding new things all the time.

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There will also be a screening the Coronation of King Charles on the big screen in the conference room.

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New for 2023 they have been developing and updating displays, including an exciting new exhibition based on the 'Human Torpedoes'.

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Kimsooja, *A Needle Woman: Galaxy was a Memory, Earth is a Souvenir*, 2014.
Courtesy of the artist and Axel Vervoordt Gallery; Sean Scully, *Wall Dale Cubed*,
2018. Courtesy of the artist and Kewenig. Photo © Jonny Walton.

Inspirational and relaxing

Yorkshire Sculpture Park (YSP) is the leading international centre for modern and contemporary sculpture.

Founded in 1977 by Executive Director Peter Murray, YSP was the first sculpture park in the UK, and is the largest of its kind in Europe, providing the only place in Europe to see Barbara Hepworth's *The Family of Man* in its entirety alongside a significant collection of sculpture, including bronzes by Henry Moore, and site-specific works by Andy Goldsworthy, David Nash and James Turrell.

Visit the Country Park in 2023 to see four major sculptures by Damien Hirst. 'Charity' (2002), 'Myth' (2010), 'The Hat Makes the Man' (2004) and 'The Virgin Mother' (2005).

'The Virgin Mother' is 10 metres tall and is a powerful presence in the landscape. 'Charity' is based on the Scope charity collection boxes that used to be common on British streets. It has a donation box asking people to 'please give generously'. Hirst's interpretation questions outdated ways of depicting disability and seeking charity.

Hirst often uses religious or mythical subjects, to raise questions about them. 'Myth' is a unicorn that has had half of its skin removed and reminds us of Hirst's famous early works.

'The Hat Makes the Man' is based on a 1920 collage of the same name by the Surrealist artist Max Ernst.

'The Virgin Mother' is bronze painted to look like plastic. 'The Hat Makes the Man' imitates painted wood. Hirst is deliberately playing with the fact that bronze is a high status material for sculpture.

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Henry Moore, *Upright Motives - No. 1 Glenkiln Cross; No. 2; No. 7*, 1955-56.
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